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- Transmittal for Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pages)
- Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages)
- Form PTO-1449 listing 1 reference (1 page)
- A copy of the reference listed on the Form PTO-1449

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### TRANSMITTAL FOR SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is an Information Disclosure Statement, which includes the following statements, if any, required variously by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98:

- Statement of relevance of selected cited references not in the English language which are not translated.
- Statement that selected cited references are substantially cumulative of an enclosed or previously submitted reference.
- Statement that selected cited references were previously cited by or submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in a prior application which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. \$ 120.

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|        | <u>X</u> | Form PTO-1449 listing 1 reference submitted for consideration.  |
|        | <u>X</u> | A copy of the reference listed on the Form PTO-1449.  |
|        |          | English translations of $\_$ ( $\_$ ) of the references listed on the Form PTO-1449 which are not in the English language.  |
|        | _        | Copies of the following documents from the prosecution of a previous, related application:  |
|        |          | Form PTO-1449 AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT; and   |
|        |          | Form PTO-892  |
|        | B.       | Additional Materials Required Due to Timing of Filing of Information Disclosure Statement   |
| follov |          | ransmitted Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within one (1) of the $\mathbf{r}$ (4) time periods:   |
| I.     | <u>X</u> | Prior to the later of either three (3) months following the filing date or the mailing of a first Office Action. Accordingly, no materials other than those listed above are enclosed.  |
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|        |          | Promptness Certification; or  |
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# SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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Sir:

Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed listed references are disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

Moreover, while no representation is made that a specific search of office files or patent office records has been conducted or that no better art exists, the undersigned attorney of record believes that the enclosed art is the closest to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) of which the undersigned is presently aware, and no art which is closer to the claimed invention (taken in its entirety) has been knowingly withheld.

In accordance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97 and 1.98, a copy of each of the listed references or relevant portion thereof is also enclosed.

# Statement of Relevance of References Listed Unaccompanied by English Translation Under 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3)

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(3), the following concise explanation of the relevance of each listed reference that is not in the English language and unaccompanied by a translation into English is provided.

PCT Application No. WO 01/58057 A1: A wavelength dispersion compensation module for realizing high bit-rate signal transmission through simple arrangement and an optical transmission system including it. The wavelength dispersion compensation module comprises a wavelength dispersion compensator for compensating the wavelength dispersion of an optical fiber transmission line at a predetermined wavelength, and a temperature regulator for setting a desired wavelength dispersion value of the wavelength dispersion compensator by regulating the temperature thereoft. With this arrangement, dispersion compensation control depending on variation in the wavelength dispersion of the optical fiber transmission line with temperature variation can be realized and accumulated wavelength dispersion over the entire optical fiber transmission line can be reduced effectively through a simple arrangement.

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### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATIONS MADE BY APPLICANT

### U.S. Patent Documents

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WO 01/58057 A1

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Other Documents
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## References Cited by Applicants

While the filing of Information Disclosure Statements is voluntary, the procedure is governed by the guidelines of Section 609 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. To be considered a proper Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 shall be accompanied by a copy of each listed patent or publication or other item of information and a translation of the pertinent portions of foreign documents (if an existing translation is readily available to the applicant), an explanation of relevance of each reference not in the English language, and should be submitted in a timely manner as set out in MPEP Sec. 609.

Examiners will consider all citations submitted in conformance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and MPEP Sec. 609 and place their initials adjacent the citations in the spaces provided on this form. Examiners will also initial citations not in conformance with the guidelines which may have been considered. A reference may be considered by the Examiner for any reason whether or not the citation is in full conformance with the guidelines. A line will be drawn through a citation if it is not in conformance with the guidelines AND has not been considered. A copy of the submitted form, as reviewed by the Examiner, will be returned to the applicant with the next communication. The original of the form will be entered into the application file.

Each citation initialed by the Examiner will be printed on the issued patent in the same manner as references cited by the Examiner on Form PTO-892.

The reference designations "A1," "A2," etc. (referring to Applicant's reference 1, Applicant's reference 2, etc.) will be used by the Examiner in the same manner as Examiner's reference designations "A," "B," "C," etc. on Office Action Form PTO-1142.

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